

*SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS*

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 3 with:

The present invention relates to a closure assembly for a drinking vessel, and particularly but not exclusively to an ~~infants~~ infants' trainer cup or ~~sports~~ sport water bottle, which is leak-proof.

Replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 18 with:

In general, some of the known devices incorporate relatively ~~complicate~~ complicated mechanisms with small parts and, on occasion, metal springs, which are expensive and not easy to clean. Most of the other designs make use of a thin membrane at the base of a protruding mouthpiece, which includes a slit or opening to provide a passage for liquid and, while the opening is closed, to prevent leakage of liquid. In case of vigorous liquid movement inside the cup (e.g., shaking or dropping), liquid can easily leak out upon ~~direct~~ directly hitting ~~on~~ the slit ~~of~~ or the membrane. Liquid flow rate is usually inadequate, as it is often compromised by the leak-proof requirement. None of the known devices is found to be satisfactory in one or more of these areas.